

# Youth in a Silent World

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"Deaf and Dumb." Social Welfare History Project, socialwelfare.library.vcu.edu/issues/deaf-dumb/.



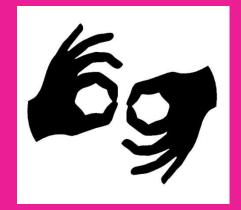






- Cochlear Implants & Deaf Identity in Politics
- Inspiration = Katerina Flynn
- Pre-Nursing
- ASL Major/Minor: Concentration in Audiology or Neuroscience\*
- Importance: youth, adulthood, disability
- Research Question:

"How politics affect youth deaf culture and debate on cochlear implants"



White River Indie Films, www.wrif.org/event/a-program-of-films-exploring-art-and-the-deaf-w orld/.

#### Research Plan

#### Sources:

- Related to pediatric cochlear implant surgery
- Research about the effects of post cochlear implant surgery
- Ongoing research related to deaf children
- Youth deaf culture view of cochlear implants
- □ Books, Library Databases, and Websites

#### Search Terms:

- Deaf
- Youth
- Politics
- Cochlear Implants



### **Challenges**

- Bias
- Open mind
- ☐ Broad topic: adulthood, culture, education, research, workforce, youth



### Ethical Issues in Cochlear Implant Surgery: An Exploration into Disease, Disability, and the Best Interests of the Child

Kennedy Institute of Ethics Journal. "Ethical Issues in Cochlear

Implant Surgery: An Exploration into Disease, Disability and the Best Interests of the Child." Project Muse, Sept. 1997, muse.jhu.edu/article/18557.



Relates to present and future impact of cochlear implants

- The separation between hearing and non-hearing individuals
- Knowing English and/or ASL (American Sign Language)
- children that learn both spoken and signed language, benefit intellectually and connect to both aspects of both hearing and non-hearing culture

"Collection of Free Implanted Clipart Cochlear Implant. Download on UbiSafe." *UbiSafe*, ubisafe.org/explore/implanted-clipart-cochlear-implant/.

## The Politics of the Child's Right to Identity in a Disability-Free Society



Doe. "Deaf Child Clipart." *Clipart Vector Design* •, 19 Oct 2018, infoclipart.today/deaf-child-clipart.html.

Sabatello, Maya. "The Politics of the Child's Right to Identity in a

Disability-Free Society." *International Yournal of Children's Rights*.

vol. 17, no. 2, Apr. 2009, pp. 177–206. EBSCOhost,

doi:10.1163/157181808X312131.

- **Politics** of identity & culture
  - Left out of the deaf-world
- Scientific developments that prompt a child's "right to a sound mind and body"
- Effects of Biomedicine and Human Rights on youth (future)
- Prenatal child manipulation to alternate diagnosed disability

Relates to youth rights to have cochlear implants

### The Rhizome of the Deaf Child

Valente, Joseph Michael, and Gail M. Boldt. "The Rhizome of the Deaf

Child." *Qualitative Inquiry*, vol. 21, no. 6, July 2015, pp. 562–574.

EBSCOhost, doi:10.1177/1077800415581885.

- False assumptions of Cochlear Implants
  - o "cure" deafness
- Implants contain many complications that are specific to each individual
- Cochlear Implant puts the children on different paths,
  - no more certain or less than life without an implant



Relates to specifications of the cochlear implant and its usage

Cook, Paul. "CID Early Childhood Vocabulary Rating Forms." *Central Institute for the Deaf*, cid.edu/professionals/shop/cid-early-childhood-vocabulary-rating-forms/.